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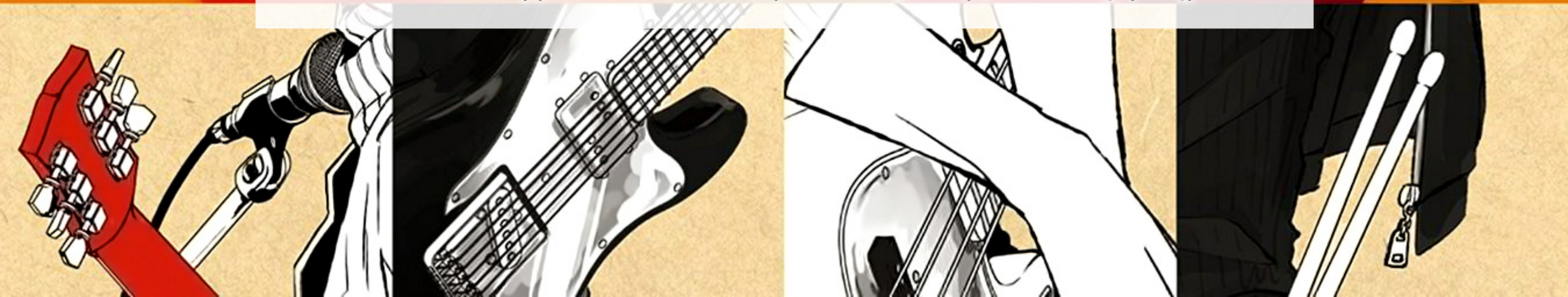
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Chapter 14

-by Kizu Natuki

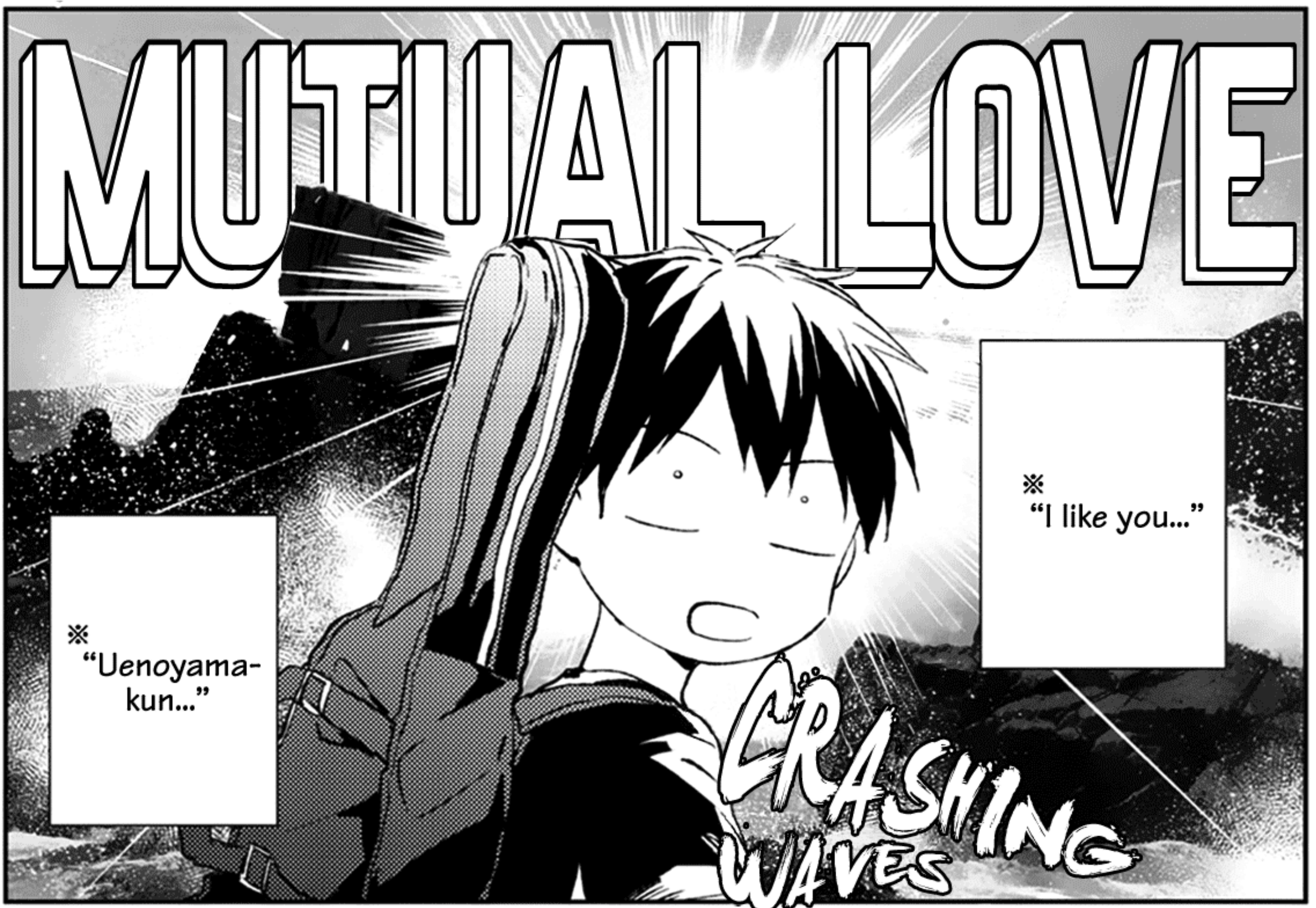
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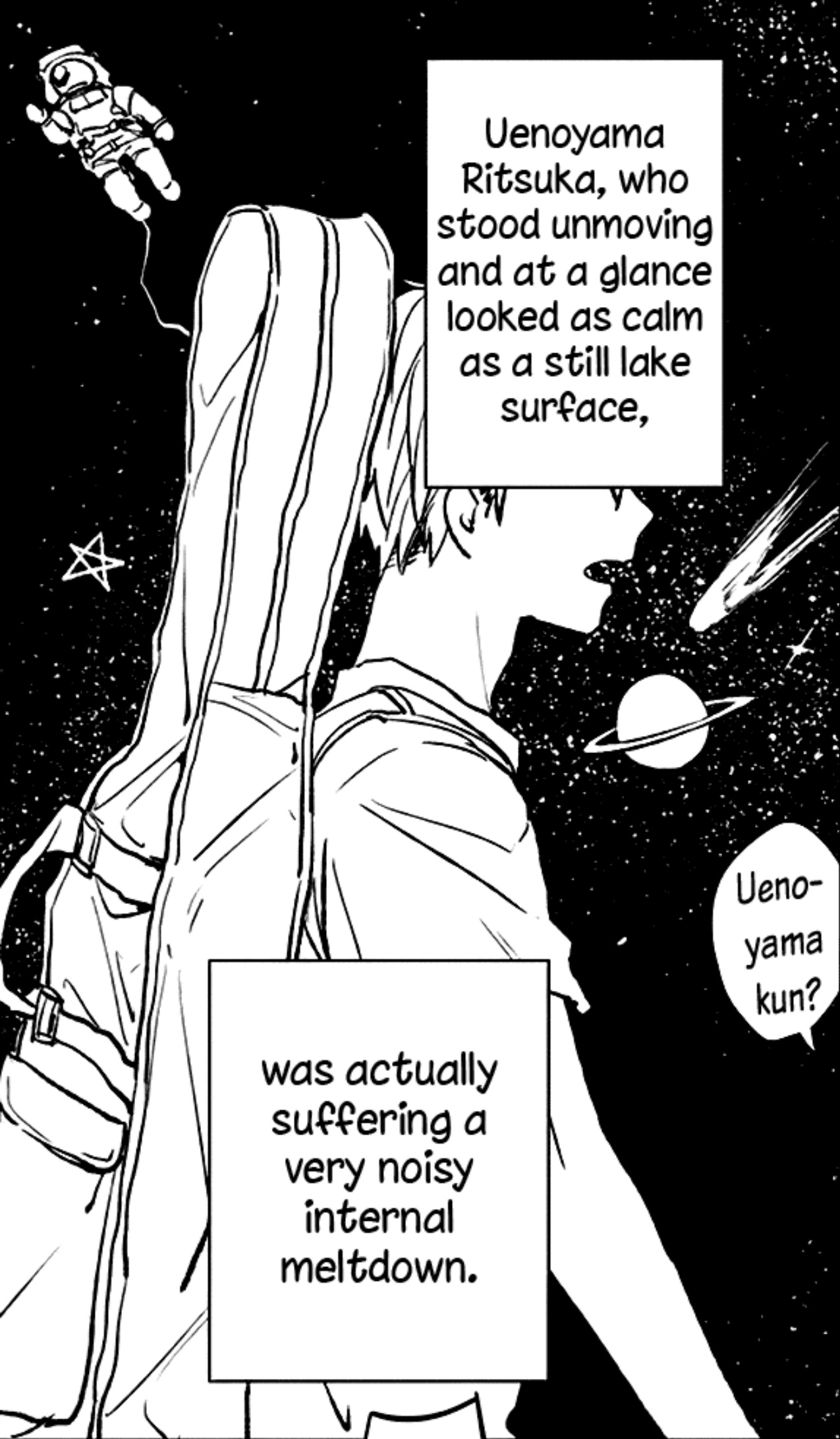
※ MENTAL PLAYBACK

KIZU NATSUKI

HUH.....

The boy's mind is in utter chaos at the sudden revelation that their feelings are mutual, which hit him like a typhoon. Please enjoy the story of the boys whom we missed for a while.

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Uenoyama Ritsuka, who stood unmoving and at a glance looked as calm as a still lake surface,

was actually suffering a very noisy internal meltdown.

Uenoyama kun?



FROZEN

...UENOYAMA KUN?

UENOYAMA KUN.....?

Daze



Emergency!

Oi!

UENOYAMA CONFERENCE ROOM

FAREWELL party

EMERGENCY!

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I know I'm going to go ahead and graduate from something.

MY WORRIED SELF

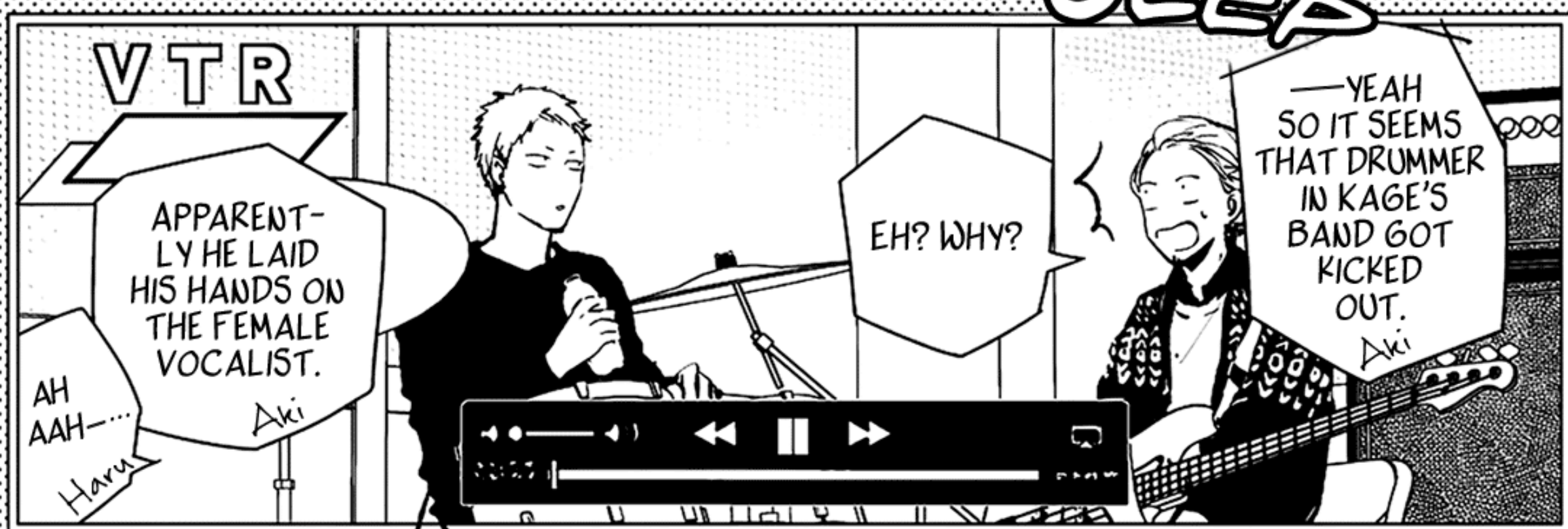
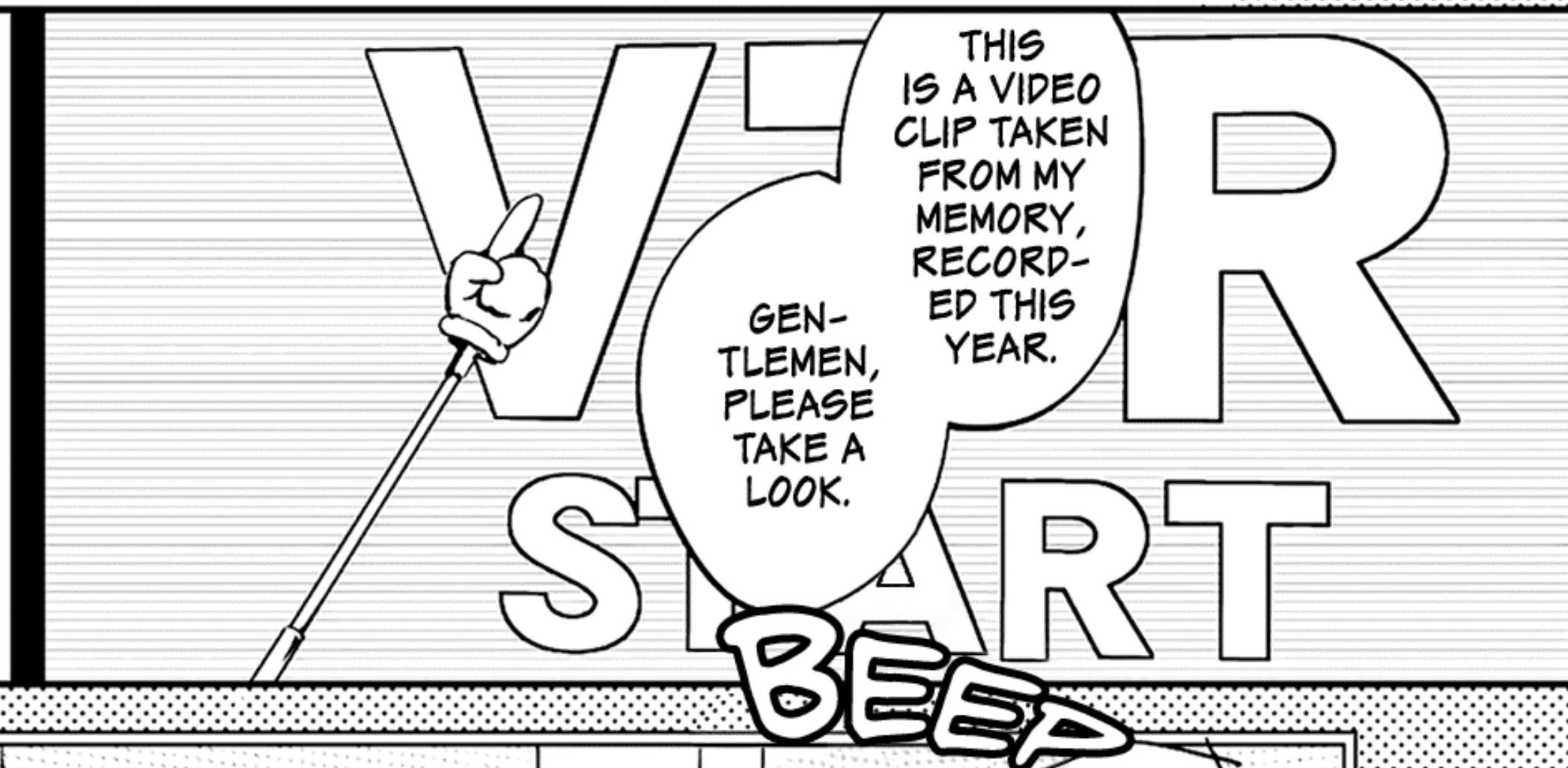
MY DEVIL SELF

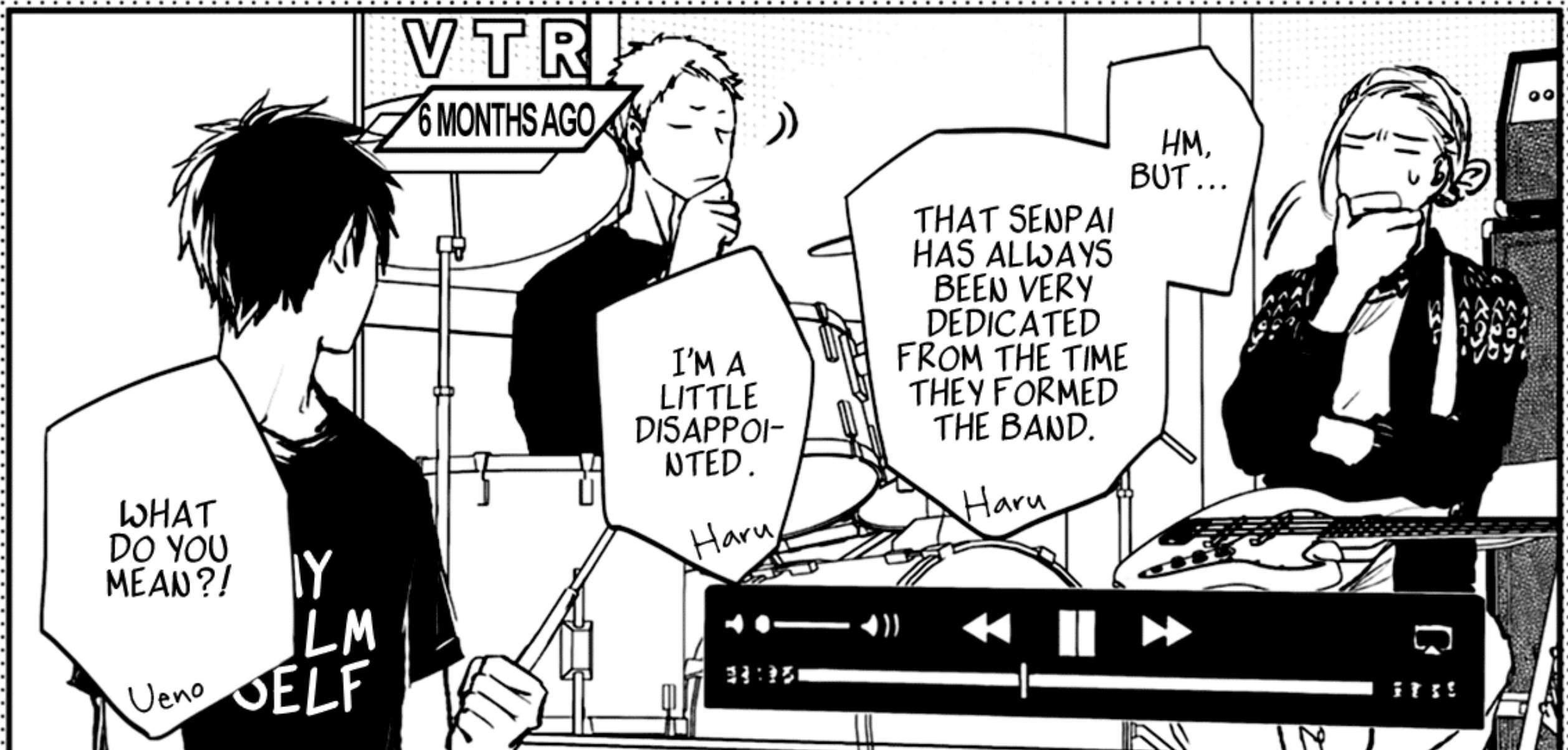
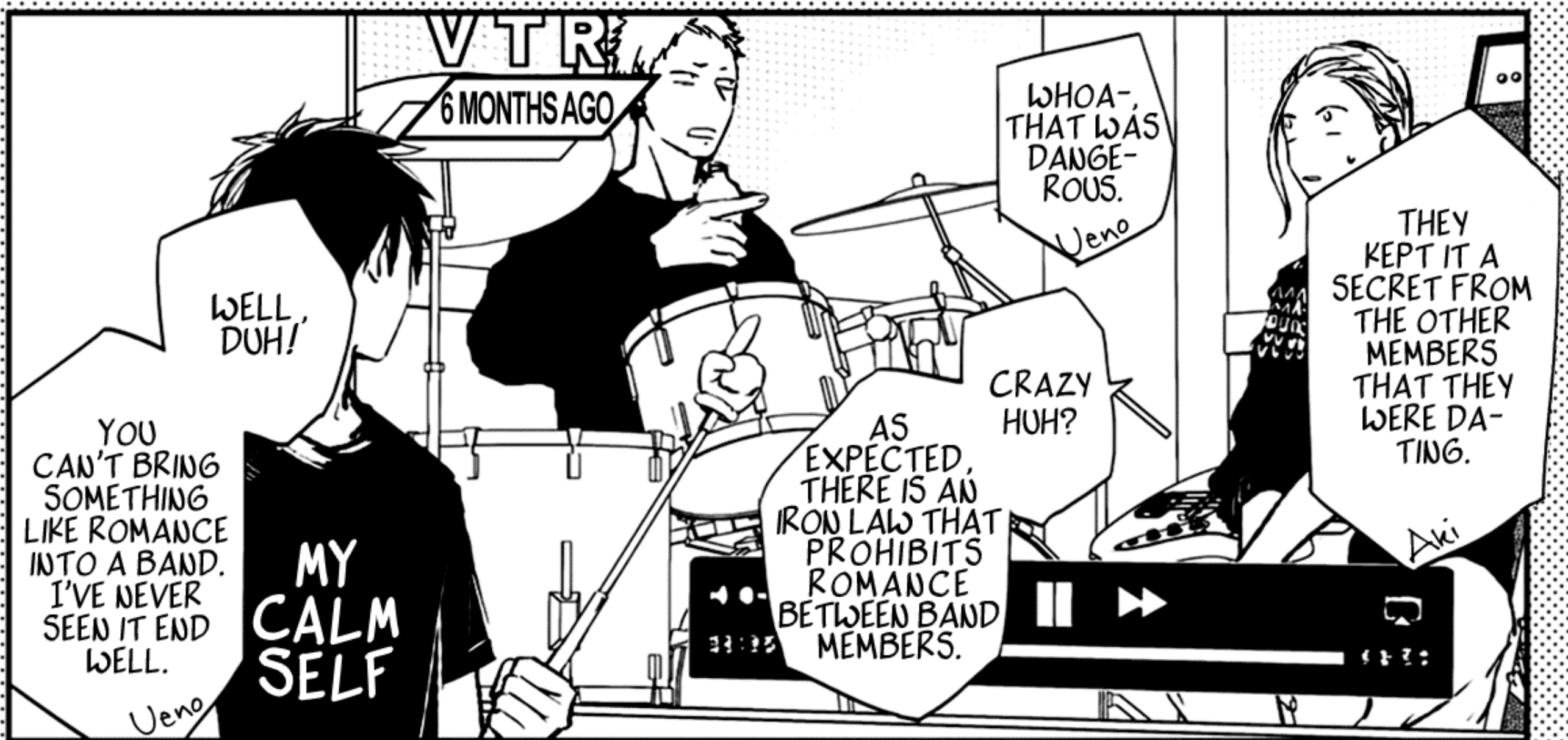
MY VIRGIN SELF

congratulations on graduating

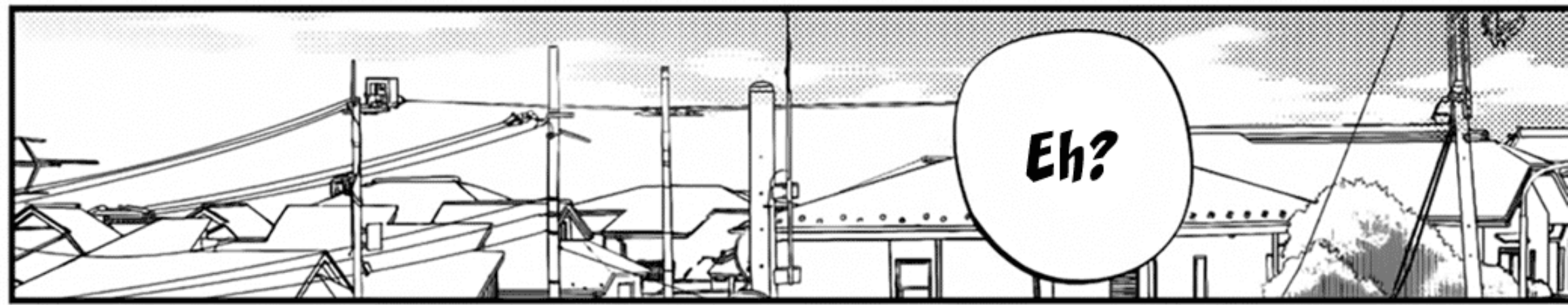
MY DEEPLY MOVED EMOTIONAL SELF

HELLO









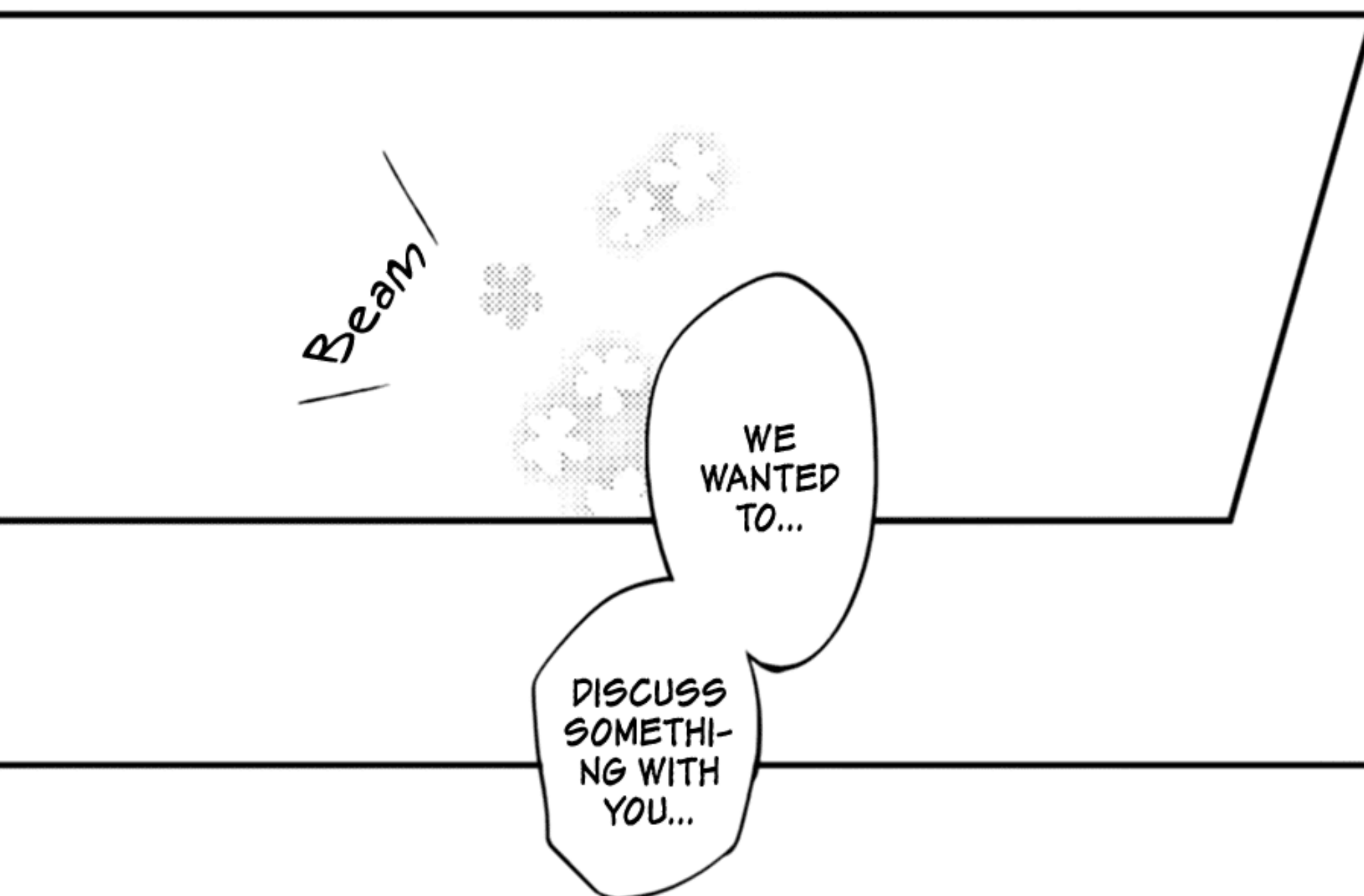
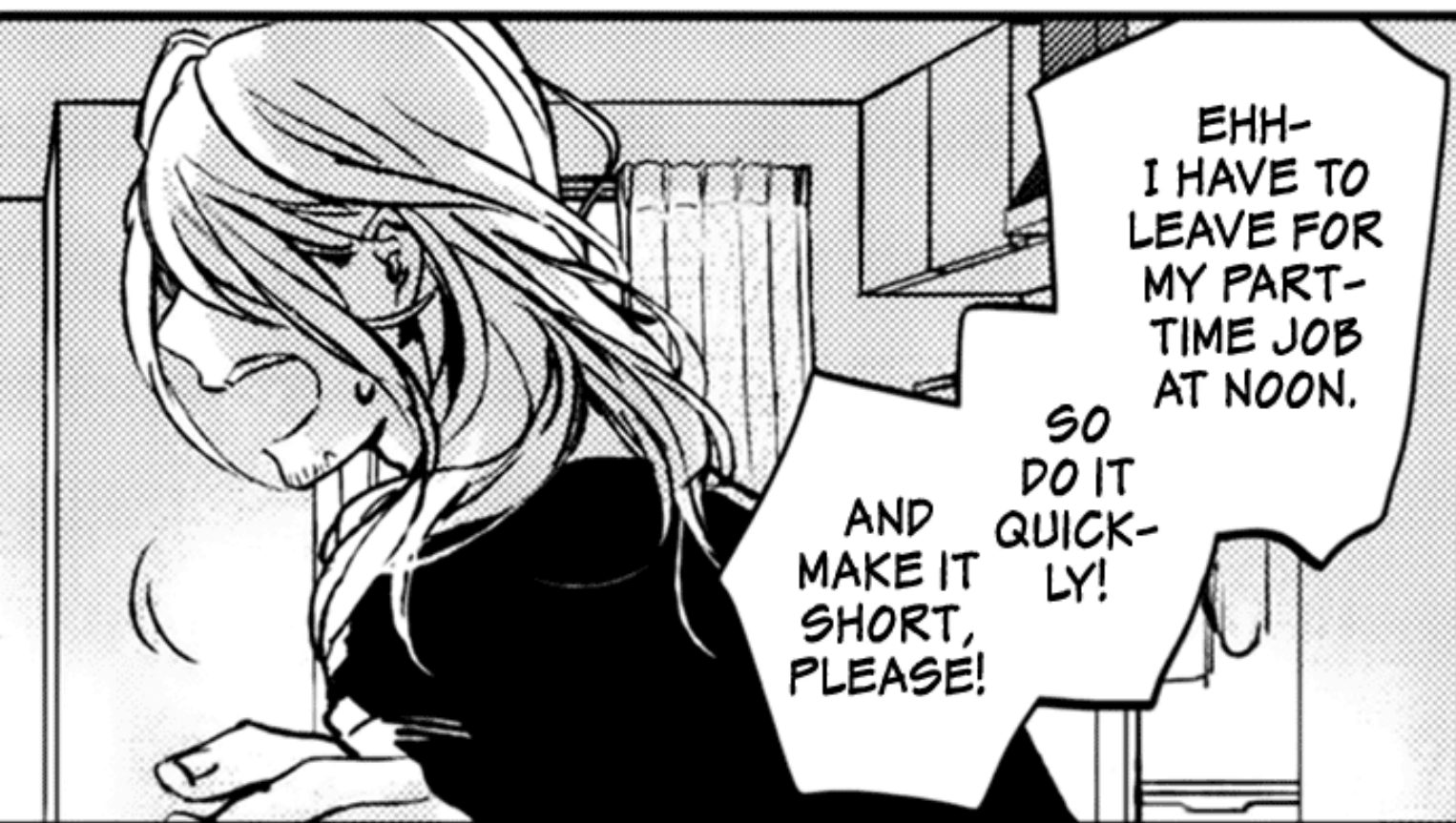
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☆ T/N: Cicada sounds. More info at back. All text with ☆ next to it refer to cicada sounds from now on.

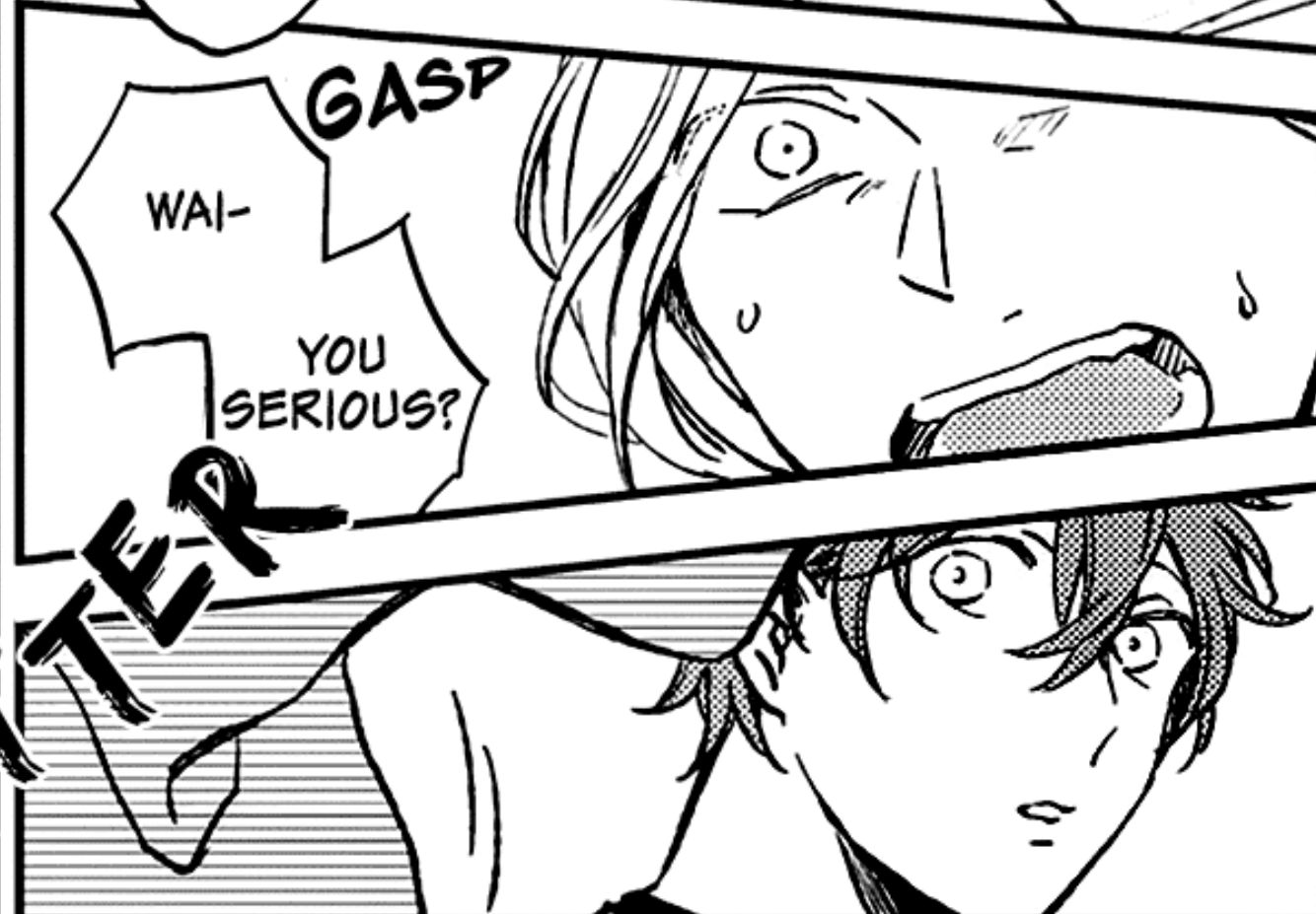


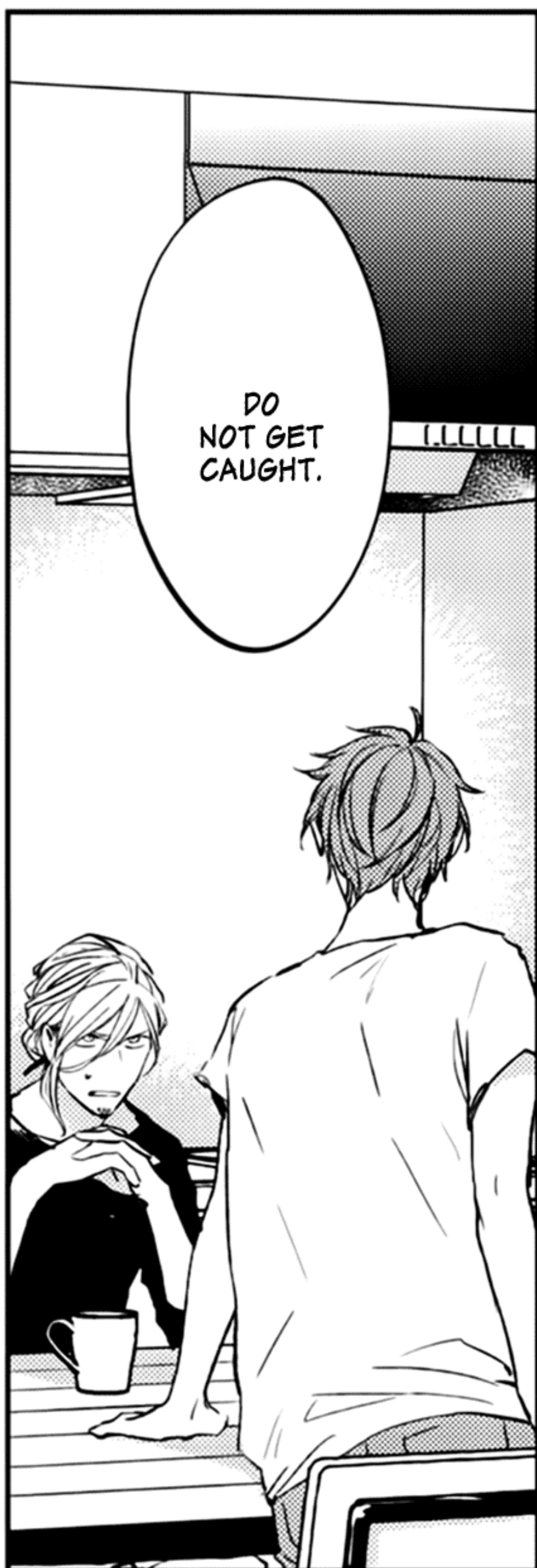
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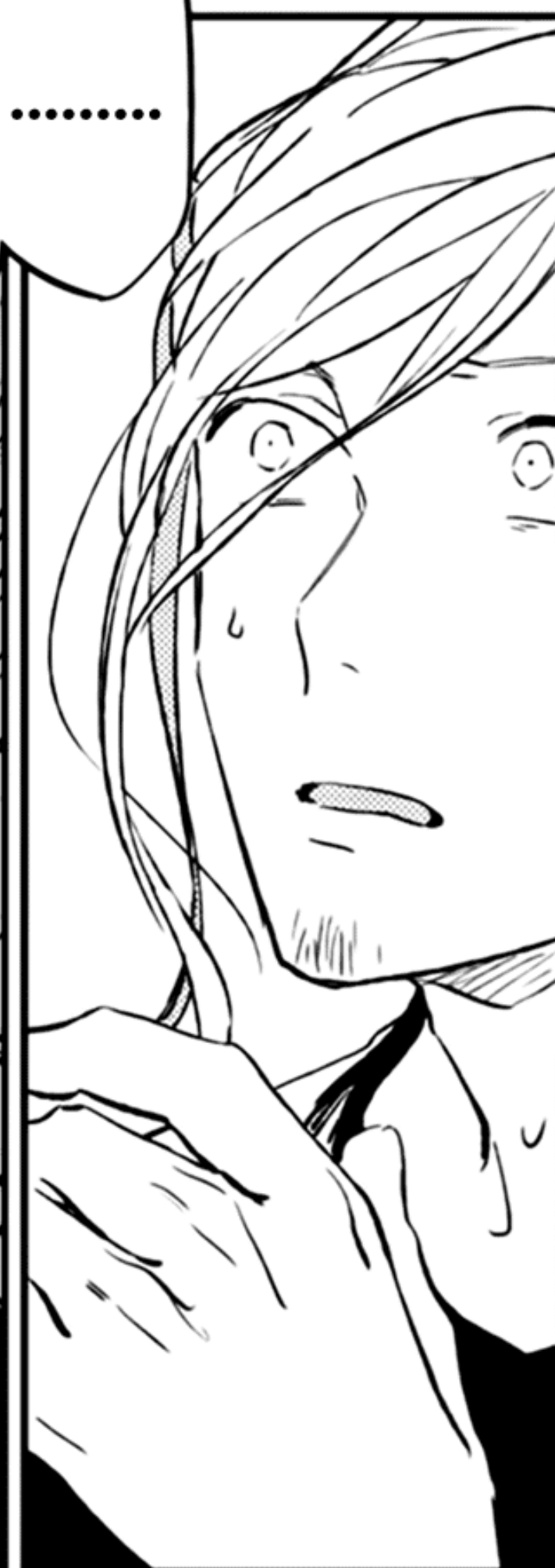
DO NOT GET CAUGHT.



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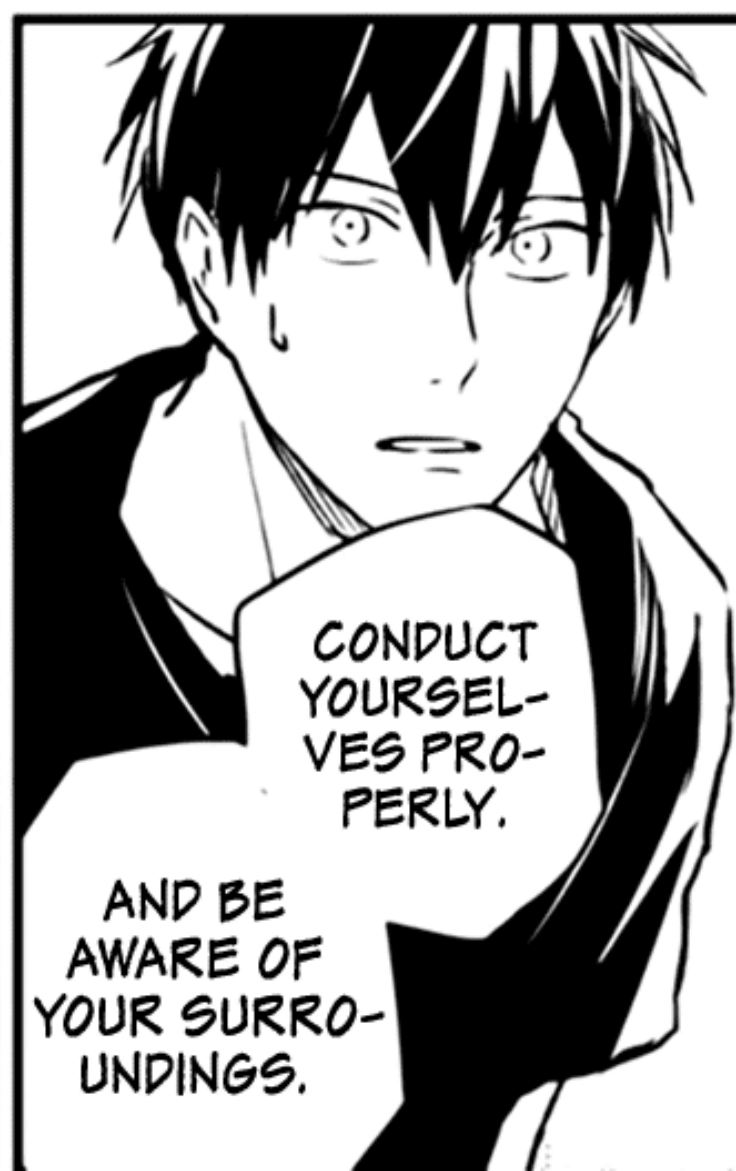
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Listen up you two!



I'll leave it to you.



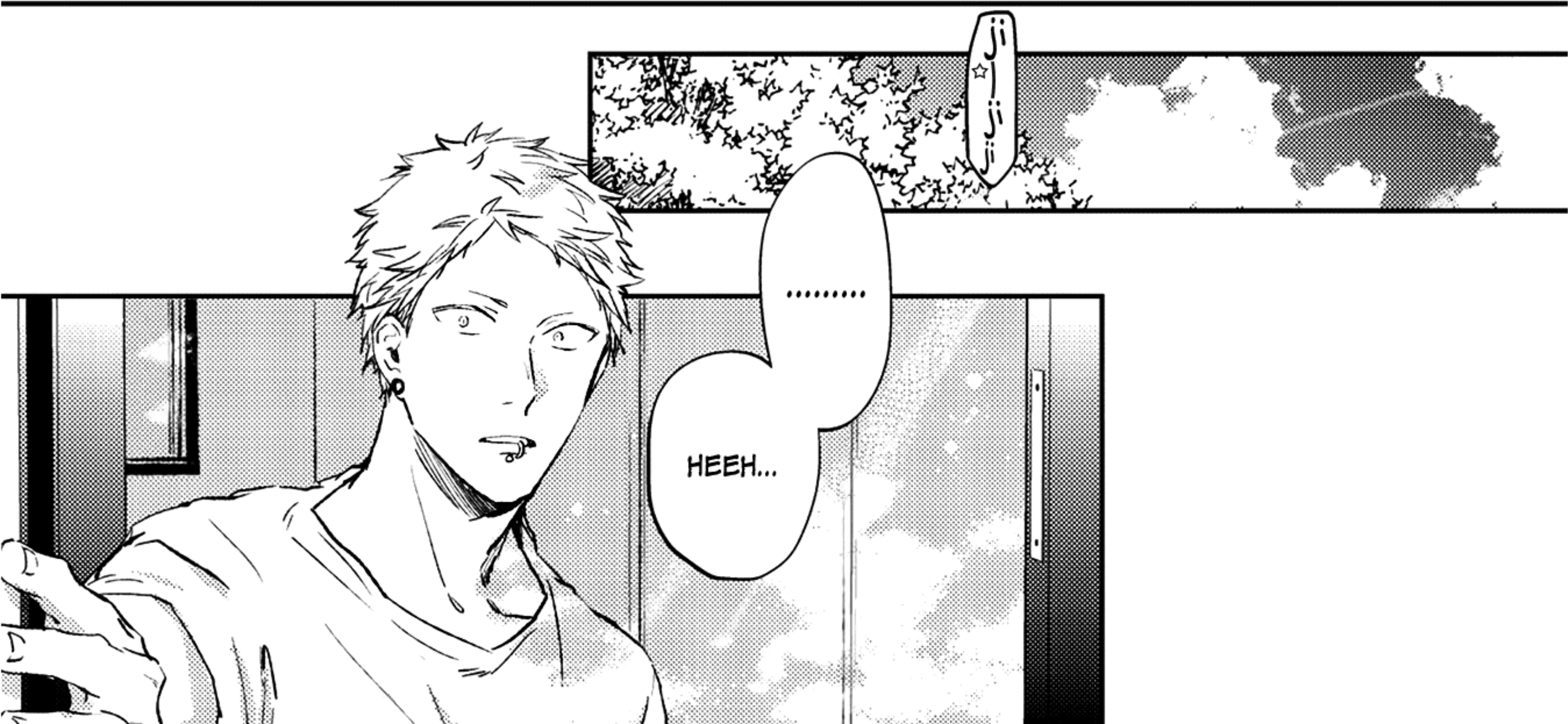
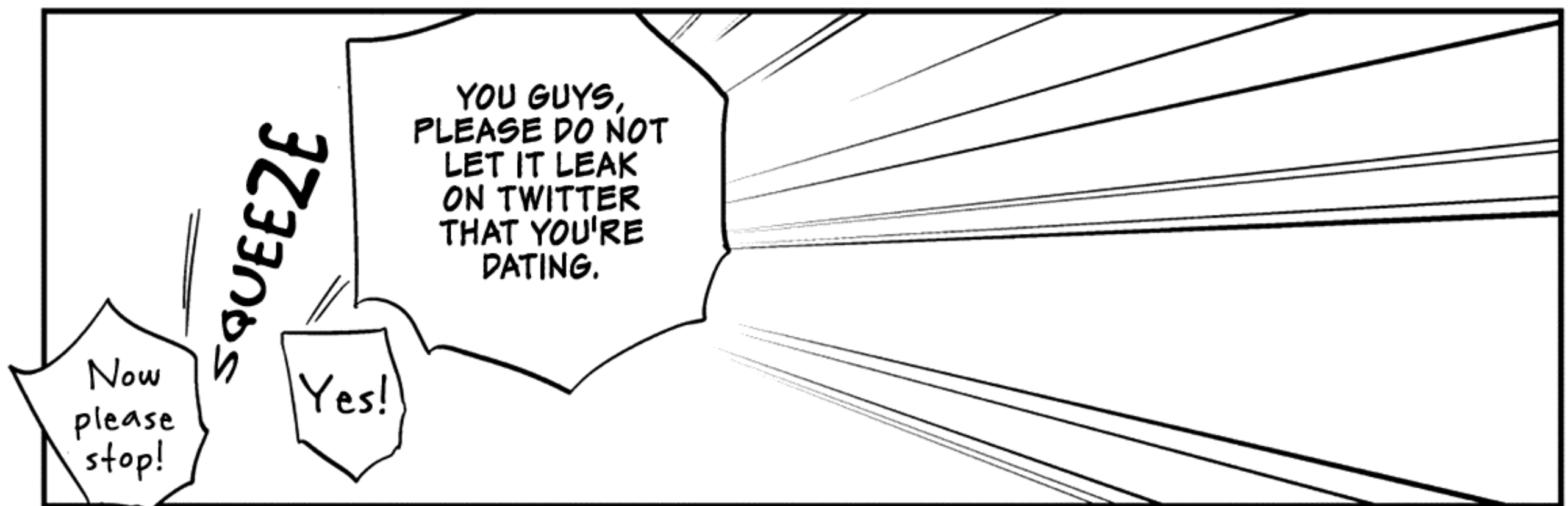
CONDUCT YOURSELVES PROPERLY.

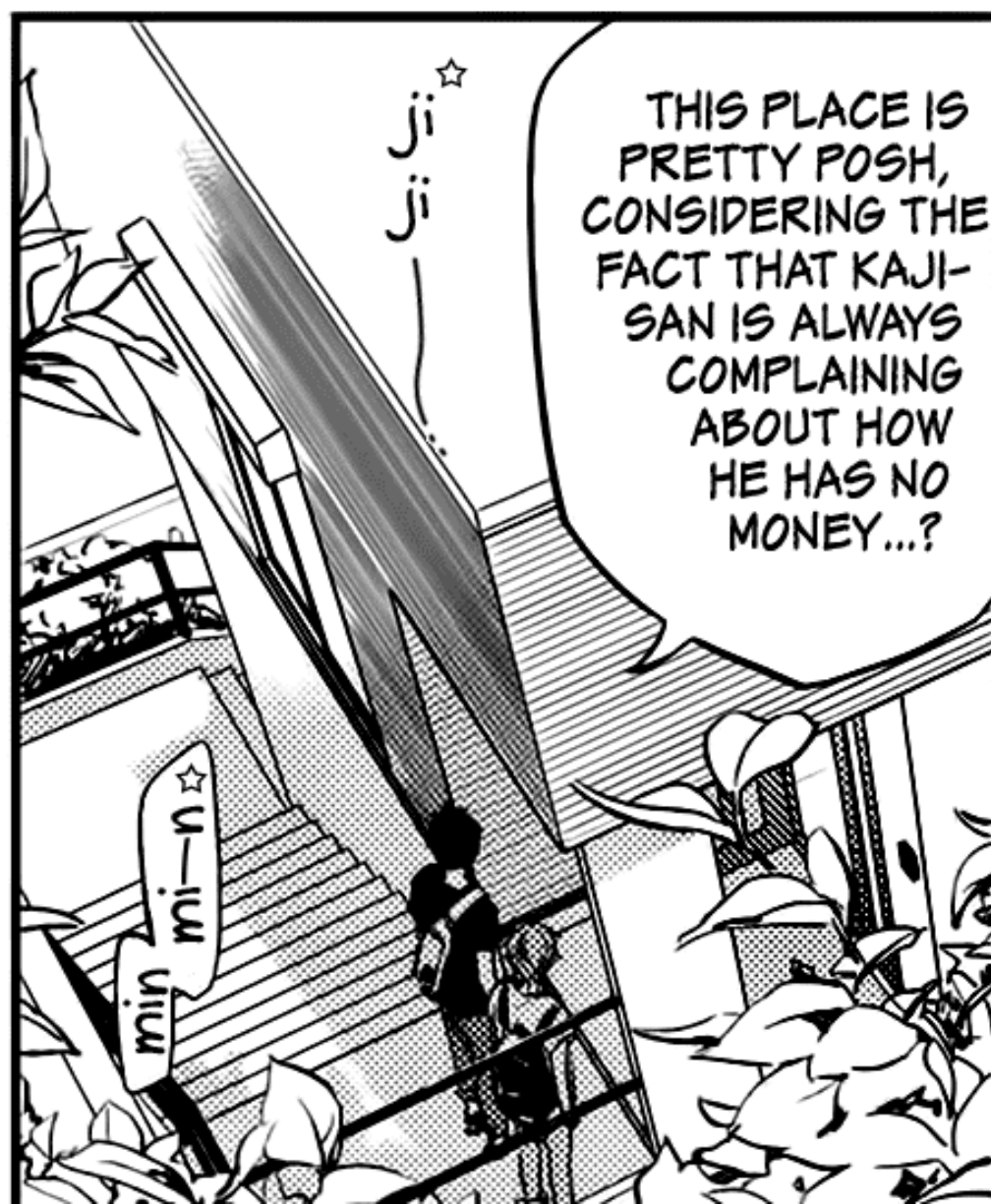
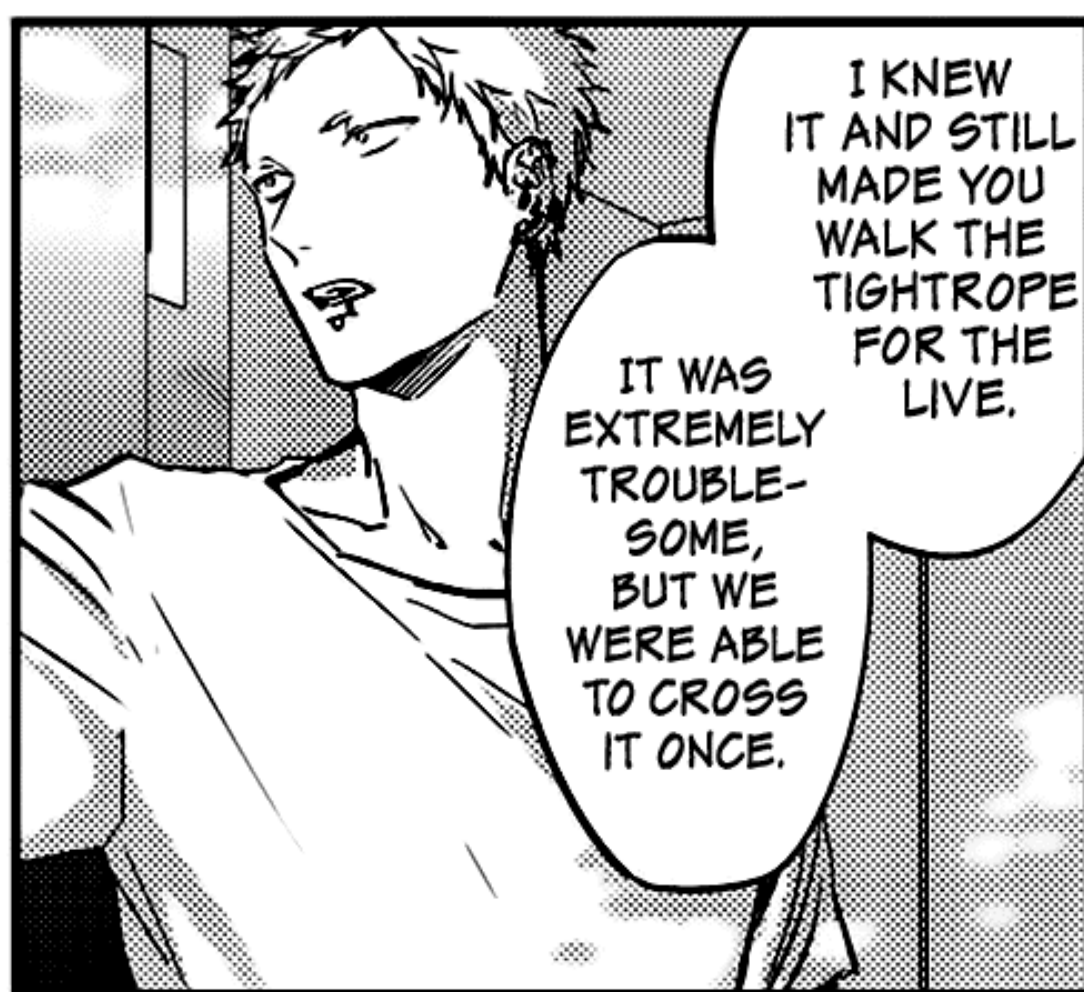
AND BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS.



BEING PART OF A BAND POSES CERTAIN RISKS. ULTIMATELY, IT IS A BUSINESS OF POPULARITY.

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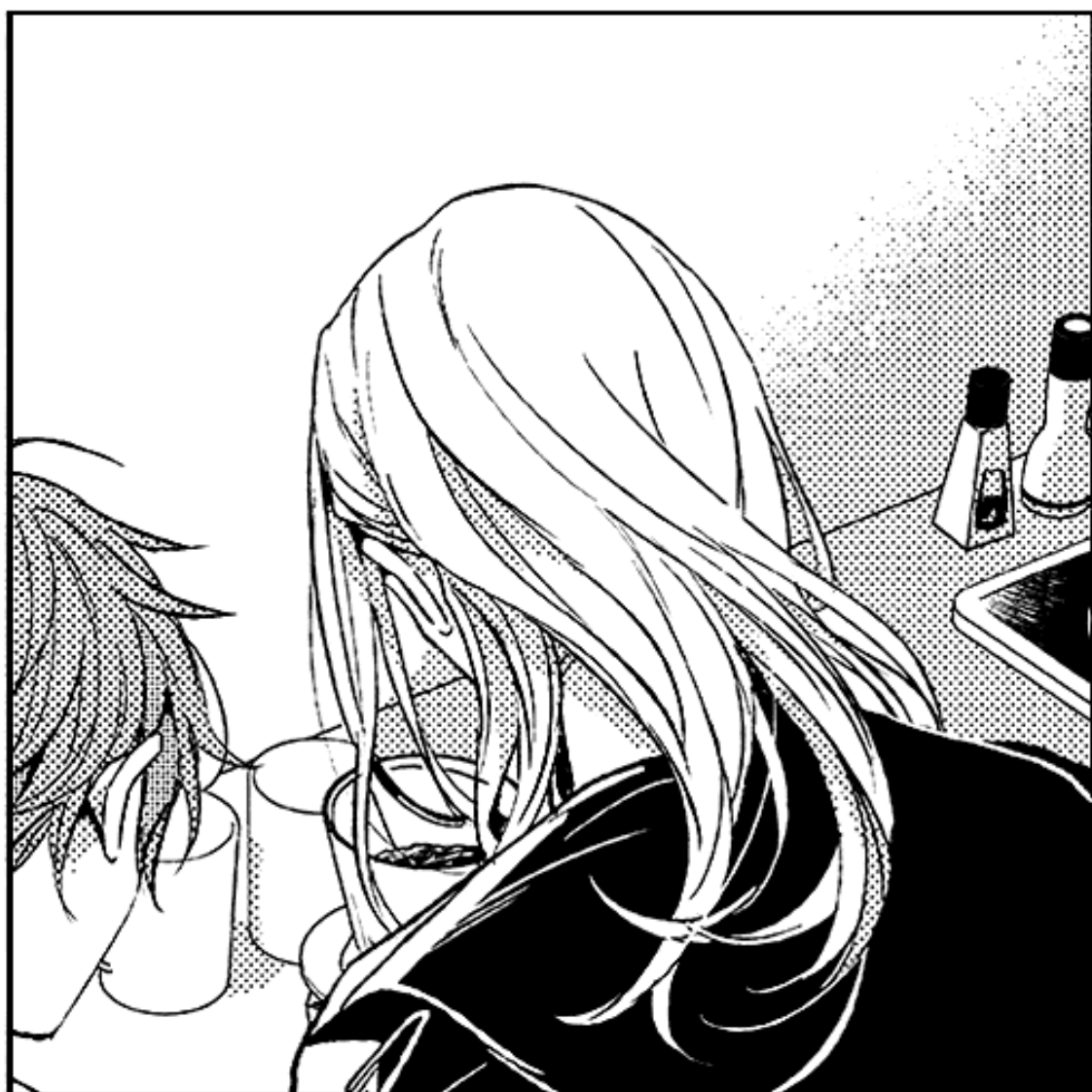






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A picture of our bassist Haruki-san who has been steadily growing out his hair.



NOTES



☆ What's up with cicadas and Japan?

Cicadas are insects omnipresent in Japanese literature and are associated with "the sound of summer". But, with over 3,000 varieties of cicadas found all around the world, why does it seem like all of them live in Japan?

Cicadas spend most of their life-cycles under ground and come out to mate—this varies between species anywhere from 2-17 years. But most Japanese species come out between July-September—the reason why they're so ubiquitous during this time. Once they're out, adult cicadas only live for a few weeks, forcing them to focus on adult pursuits – like cicada love-making. And what is the male cicada's preferred method of booty-call? You guessed it... SINGING(or deafening cries for attention).

Japanese onomatopoeia includes over 14 words meant to phonetically imitate the cry of cicadas, including: minmin, gingin, jiyajiya and many more. The most common one—"minmin" is made by the "Minmin-zemi" and the one in this chapter—"jiji" is made by the "Abura-zemi". "Abura" means "oil" and the sound mimics boiling oil, which is how they get their name.

Imagine a significant portion of the human population crying loudly as a form of mating call—ALL at the same time. (—△—;)

—SAM